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1. REF. A WAS DEPT. OF ARMY AUTHORIZATION FOR SHIPMENT OF 114 MAJOR VEHICULAR ASSEMBLIES TO UNEF, WITH AS MANY UNSERVICE-ABLE ITEMS AS POSSIBLE TO BE RETURNED TO CONUS VIA THE RETURN FLIGHT. REF. B STATED THAT DOD HAD INFORMALLY PASSED TO USUN AIR TRANSPORTATION COSTS (DOD RATE) OF \$56,733 FOR THIS FLIGHT. DOD LATER INFORMED USUN THAT ABOVE RATE WOULD APPLY FOR C-141 AIRCRAFT ROUND TRIP. REF. C WAS DEPT. OF ARMY AUTHORIZATION FOR AIR SHIPMENT (LATER DETERMINED BY USAF MAC TO BE TWO D-8'S AND ONE BOEING 707) OF URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS FOR UNEF'S REDEPLOYMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SINAI II AGREEMENT. PARA. 1B REF. C STATES THAT "AIRLIFT WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE GOVERNMENT USER RATE." PARA. 4. REF. D STATES THAT ONLY THE OUTGOING LEG OF REF. C FLIGHT HAS BEEN PROCURRED BY USG FOR THE UNEF SHIPMENT.

2. DURING WORKING MEETING ATTENDED BY DOD TECHNICIANS UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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AT USUN ON 09 JAN 76, TRANSPORTATION COSTS TO UN FOR THE THREE FLIGHTS PER REF C WERE GIVEN AS \$233,616, FOR AN AVERAGE

OF \$77,800 PER ROUND TRIP. PARA. 4 REF D INDICATES HOWEVER THAT ABOVE FIGURE COVERS ONLY THE OUTGOING LEG OF THE FLIGHT. IF THIS INTERPRETATION IS CORRECT, REF. C FLIGHT (OUTBOUND LEG ONLY) WOULD COST AVERAGE OF \$77,800 PER AIRCRAFT WHILE COST OF OUTBOUND LEG OF REF. A FLIGHT WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$28,000 (ROUGHLY HALF OF DOD RATE OF \$56,733 ROUND TRIP). WE THUS HAVE A TRANSPORTATION COST RATIO OF ALMOST 3 TO 1 BETWEEN THE TWO SHIPMENTS, EVEN THOUGH NON-COMMERCIAL RATES APPLY TO BOTH. THIS COST DIFFERENCE SEEMS EVEN MORE PRONOUNCED WHEN THE SIZE OF THE MUCH LARGER C-141 IS CONSIDERED. THEORETICALLY, THE C-141 WOULD HAVE CARRIED MORE CARGO THAN EITHER THE DC-8 OR 707, THEREBY INCURRING EVEN GREATER COST.

3. REQUEST CLARIFICATION OF AIR TRANSPORTATION COSTS BE OBTAINED FROM DOD, TO INCLUDE RATE CATEGORIES APPLICABLE TO VARIOUS TYPES OF AIR TRANSPORTATION ANTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF UNEF. IT IS THE USUN'S UNDERSTANDING, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT ALL EQUIPMENT AIR SHIPPED AS PART OF THE \$10 MILLION NON-REIMBURSABLE PACKAGE IS TO BE FURNISHED TO THE UN AT DOD RATHER THAN COMMERCIAL RATES.

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